

First Congregational United Church of Christ, Ypsilanti “Follow Me”



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No matter who you are or where you are
on life's journey, you're welcome here.

June 7, 2015 10:00 am

Second Sunday after Pentecost



*An open and affirming community
committed to peace and justice*

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP & LIFE TOGETHER: We invite you to participate in this community of faith. If you are a visitor for the first time, please fill out the welcome pad being passed around. We invite you to join us for Friendship Time (refreshments and conversation) at the conclusion of worship.

WE WELCOME CHILDREN so that they may come to understand the worship experience. Families are encouraged to talk about the parts of worship so children may understand and participate. During the worship service we have a time for children with the minister on the rug in the center of the worship space followed by Sunday school (September-May).

Hymns are found in the following books:

NCH (Black, hardcover "New Century Hymnal")
Sing! (Black, softcover, "Sing! Prayer and Praise" songbook)
ES (Green, softcover "Everflowing Streams" songbook)

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

Invitation

*All people are welcome to participate in this community of faith
If you have questions about becoming a member of this church, please speak
with the Pastor or any member of the Community.*

Prelude

Justin Snyder

***Gathering Hymn**

"Clap Your Hands"

49 SING - Justin Snyder

Welcome

Kelsie Molter

Guests, please complete a Visitor Card and place in the offering plate so we may have a record of your visit.

We hope you will join us for Friendship Time and refreshments after the service.

Thank you for worshipping with us today!

****Please rise in body or spirit as you are able***

Announcements

Kelsie Molter

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Ring the Bell

***Hymn**

"I'm So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me"

474 NCH

Our souls wait for you, O God. Our ears are attentive to your word. We hope for a clear understanding of your will for us. Let this time draw us together in unity, with a sense of direction and purpose for our church and our individual lives. Infuse us with the understanding that nothing we face around us can undermine our faith or cause us complete despair. We are always part of this covenanted community and the family built by the work of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

— Adapted From “Led by Love”, Lavon Bayler

Anthem	“How Can I Keep From Singing”	FCC Choir
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LISTENING FOR GOD

Old Testament Reading	1 Samuel 8:1-22	Carol Hall
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Hymn	“Jesus, Jesus, Oh, What a Wonderful Child”	136 NCH
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Children's Time	<i>children are invited to come forward</i>	Carol Hall
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New Testament Reading	2 Corinthians 4:13-18	Carol Hall
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Reflection	“The Plan?”	Carol Hall
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*Hymn	“We Love Your Realm, O God”	312 NCH
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CONVERSING WITH THE HOLY ONE

Prayers of the People		Carol Hall
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*All are invited to offer a prayer, testimony, praise report or prayer request at this time.
Please limit your sharing to one or two sentences and remember confidentiality issues.*

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (Unison) -- Traditional Version

Carol Hall

When we say the Lord's Prayer, please feel free to follow the traditional form or use language that feels comfortable to you, e.g. Mother, Creator, God, Friend, or Realm, Kindom, Wisdom.

Offering this prayer in unison brings us together and the words illustrate our common journey

**Our Father and Mother
Who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kin-dom come.
Thy will be done
on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kin-dom and the power
and the glory, for ever and ever.
Amen.**

RESPONDING TO OUR CALLING

Invitation to the Offering (Unison)

Kelsie Molter

Gracious and loving God, who has called each of us to recognize that we are all sisters and brothers and members of your family. Unite us today as a community of faith, listening to your word and finding ways to manifest the works as taught by your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

▪ Adapted from "Led by Love", Lavon Bayler

Offertory

Justin Snyder

***Doxology**

"Take My Gifts"

562 NCH

*Take my gifts and let me love you, God who first of all loved me,
Gave me light and food and shelter, Gave me life and set me free,
Now because your love has touched me, I have love to give away,
Now the bread of love is rising, Loaves of love to multiply!*

Prayer of Dedication *(Unison)

Kelsie Molter

We bring ourselves and some of what we have accumulated, to praise you and do the work you are calling us to do. Fulfill your purpose for this church through our lives. In amazement at the work of your hands, we reach out our hands to help others and invite them to join us in our labors. We will not lose heart, we will always strive to do your work Amen.

— Adapted from “Led by Love”, Lavon Bayler

COMMUNING WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

***Hymn of Blessing**

“Enter My Heart”

39 SING

Communion Service

Carol Hall

Communion will be served by intinction in our chairs.
All are Welcome at the Lord’s Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Carol Hall

DEPARTING WITH PRAISE

***Hymn of Departure**

“Community of Christ”

314 NCH

***Benediction**

Carol Hall

Postlude

Justin Snyder

(Please be seated for the Postlude)

Passing the Peace

Share a greeting with your neighbor as we transition to our snack.

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*God is still speaking,*  
**UNITED CHURCH  
OF CHRIST**



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Our Volunteers	Today: June 7 th	Next Sunday: June 14 th
Usher	Wayne Burling	Marty Kleino
Preaching	Carol Hall	Pulpit Supply
Worship Leader	Kelsie Molter	Tad Wysor
Worship Set-up	Donna Eyster	Margaret Harner
Acolyte	Hunter Turner	Desayre Penn
Friendship Time	Glenda Horvath	Margaret Harner

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTORAL CARE EMERGENCIES: If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Glenda Horvath, 734-904-0420

CONGREGATIONAL CARE: Kindly remember in your prayers our members and friends who are sick and/or shut-in. Send a card or note to lift their spirits and yours as well.

Fran Pebbles' address: *American Homes Carpenter, 3470 Carpenter Rd., Apt 332, Ypsilanti, MI 48197. Phone: 734-975-0987*

Sally Dusbiber's address': *Silver Maples of Chelsea, Room 1211, 100 Silver Maples Dr., Chelsea, MI 48118. Sally's direct phone line is 734-433-2396 and the Silver Maples line is 734-475-4111, x217.*

IMMIGRATION MINISTRY (WICIR): For information about what's happening with Immigrant Rights and ***Washtenaw Interfaith Coalition for Immigrant Rights***, or if you are interested in learning ways to help, please contact Margaret Harner at 734-483-3464 or through their Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/WICIR>.

MICHIGAN OPEN & AFFIRMING COALITION: For information about what's happening with **Michigan Open and Affirming Coalition**, or if you are interested in joining us, please contact Wayne Burling at 734-377-0696. More information can be found on their website <http://www.mi-onc.org> or on facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/onami/>

WASHTENAW REGIONAL ORGANIZING COALITION: "First Congregational is a co-founding institution of the new local "organization of organizations" **WeROC (Washtenaw Regional Organizing Coalition)**. In many ways, WeROC is a larger illustration of the values and mission we try to live out at First Congregational. The diverse faith congregations and labor and community organizations that make up WeROC are, at our core, focused on intentionally reweaving the frayed fabric of community -- at a time when forces are at work every day to keep us fragmented, suspicious of each other, feeling isolated and on our own. We are showing by example that people from many backgrounds and perspectives can, even today, come together in powerful ways around our common values and *actually change* unjust public policies. WeROC is a part of the S.E. Michigan organization MOSES and the national Gamaliel Foundation.
See Tad Wysor (tadwysor@gmail.com, 734 883 3225) for more on how First Congregational is connecting with current WeROC issues and actions.

OUR WEBSITE: <http://www.ypsiucc.org> Let Wayne know if you have any additional items to be added. He could use lots more pictures. Also check out and like our Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/pages/First-Congregational-United-Church-of-Christ-Ypsilanti/115695119913>.

KROGER FUNDRAISER: HAVE YOU RE-REGISTERED WITH KROGER!! Everybody that shops at Kroger and has a shopper's card **MUST** register. **Last Year's registration expires May 1st** and you are not getting credit for you purchases until you re-register for the current year.

Go to www.kroger.com and click "REGISTER". Follow prompts to register your frequent shopper card number. Then link to the **Community Rewards** site and register with our church. Our number is **83263**, or you can find our name in drop down list. Any questions contact Barbara Garland, bargarland@yahoo.com, 734-662-5803.